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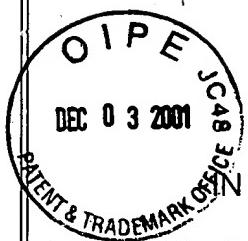
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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Communication mailed November 11, 2001, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-52 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Please add the following claims:

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--53. An antibody, wherein said antibody binds specifically to metalloproteinase inhibitor.

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54. The antibody according to claim 53, wherein said antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

55. The antibody according to claim 53, comprising a detectable label.

56. A hybridoma cell secreting an antibody according to claim 54.